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Ministry of the Word at a Reformed Witness in the Pearl of the Orient

There are the proverbial 4 tigers of Southeast Asia, namely Singapore, Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong. It was to the last that we spent 9 days ministering the Word of

God there to a church by the will of God.

By God's sovereign leading, Grace Reformed Evangelical Church was incepted in 1990 in Hong Kong led by 3 Elders Joseph, Caleb and Simon, as a light and salt in an exacting and thriving economy and vibrant hardcommunity workina of 7million 1000sa people over km of mountainous terrain with about 6.7% Christians.



In 1998, we preached at Grace church for the first time and in 2021 during the pandemic, they invited us to conduct a one-day virtual seminar on "*The Christian Perspective of the Pandemic*."

Late last year, Eld Dr Joseph Chan, the main leader there invited us to come



personally to conduct a seminar on *The Biblical View of Male and Female* or LGBT and to preach at 2 church services and church prayer meetings.

We accepted the invitation and were there from 23 May to 2 June. The seminar met with earnest response from others who came to seek the Lord and some others also attended the seminar. Among



them was a Rev Ben Tramper, a Dutch reformed pastor who was in HK during the same time with his son Rick who was there for business. We had an insightful time of learning and deeper study of this important but relevant subject of the biblical view of male and female and how a Christian should respond to the LGBT community with compassion and

conviction with scriptural foundations. This is a major concern to the church today as it presents a moral ethical issue that requires a biblical response. Good questions were asked on how we may also reach out to them in a practical manner yet without compromise in different context, in the marketplace, the church it even if there could be from our own family members.

After the seminar, we preached at the church two services chaired by the Elders when we addressed the subject of The Fear of God in the morning and The 4 Spiritual Looks in the The Elders afternoon. and members were very kind to us with good accommodation and delectable meals and fine oriental hospitality.

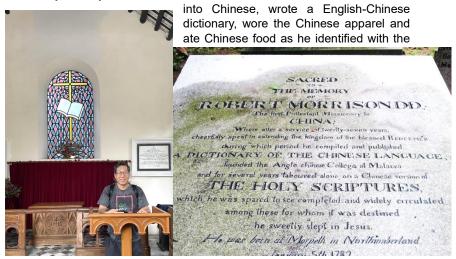
In the second week, we met with 4 preachers (and one came with his 2 children) who came from country x and had a special meeting in the church with them. They gave a report of their gospel work after we shared the Word from Deut 32 on the sacred duties of a preacher. 5 leaders and members from GREC attended including Eld Caleb and Eld Simon with a lively exchange and caring interaction and intercessorv prayers for them.





We visited a Bible seminary China Graduate School of Theology and gave the admin staff 2 of our SHBPC published books for their library.

We also visited a conservative church in Macau and met up the preachers who showed us around the church explaining its a rich history being incepted in 1906. We made our way to the Protestant cemetery in Macau where Robert Morrison, the notable Anglo Scottish Presbyterian missionary to China was buried with his wife, Mary and son and his faither-in-law Rev Samuel Dyers. Morrison was among the first Protestant missionaries of the London Missionary Society who came to China in 1807 and he translated the Bible



people and was endeared to the Chinese people who remembered him fondly.

We also visited the Noah's Ark and it was an educational time of learning for the children as we explored and understood the delicate tasks of Noah and

various animals that were kept in the Ark during the universal flood.

We praise and thank God for a safe and fruitful ministry there with the brethren from Hong Kong and country x. Do uphold our preachers in prayer as they serve the Lord faithfully in their respective house churches faithfully till He comes.

Jack and Angie Sin



Memory Verse

1 Kings 18:37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the LORD God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

Announcements

- 1. Welcome to our Lord's Day Sunday Worship Service! If you are here for the first time, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave. Those who share the church vision to acquire a place of worship in due time, may designate your offerings to the SHBPC Church Building Fund.
- Pastor brings us God's Word this morning on "The Reason for Triumph at Mt Carmel (1 Kings 18:17-40)", continuing the quarterly series on "Significant Events in the OT for our Learning".
- Pastor and Angie will be away in the US from 13 June 7 Jul to minister at Cub Hill BPC, Maryland and attend and speak at the 21st ICCC World Congress 21-28 June. Do uphold them in prayer for safety in travel, good health and a profitable time of learning and fellowship.
- 4. Rev Nathan of New Life BP Church will preach next Sunday on "*The Divine Testing of Job (Job 1:1-22)*".
- 5. Sunday School classes will follow the after the worship service:
 - Westminster Confession of Faith Pastor
 - Studies in 1 Chronicles Dn Kwong Leen
 - Book of Acts Pr Mok
- 6. For pastoral assistance from Jun 13 Jul 7 when Pastor is away, kindly contact **Preacher Mok (hp: 80623408)**.
- Chinese Fellowship meets on every Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom with both local and overseas brethren. We have systematic studies on Basic Theology, and the Parables of Jesus. Join us for a time of profitable learning. [Zoom ID:883 9662 4157 Passcode:625551]
- Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The prayer list is available in church. [Zoom ID:863 7527 5431 Passcode:218178]
- 9. We need willing hands and hearts to assist in the weekly cleaning of the premises. Do let Dn Yue Kay if you are available to serve in this area.
- 10. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
 - Cheque payable to Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church and mail to church address. (Kindly write the full name of the church as indicated.)
 - Fund transfer to Church UOB Account 392-308-825-1
 - PayNow to Church UEN: T19SS0116FSOV

Kindly indicate **"Church Building Fund"** if you would like to designate towards this cause.
